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Box Patent Application  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Attorney's Docket No. SONY-T1084First Named Inventor Seiichi Aoyagi

**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**  
( under 37 CFR 1.53(b) )

SIR:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application entitled:

INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS, INFORMATION PROCESSING METHOD, AND  
STORAGE MEDIUM

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.10**

I hereby certify that this New Application and the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date JANUARY 19, 2001, in an envelope bearing "Express Mail Post Office To Addressee" Mailing Label Number EK916796635US addressed to: Box Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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Enclosed are:

1.  Transmittal Form (two copies required)
2. The papers required for filing date under CFR § 1.53(b):
  - i. 50 Pages of specification (including claims and abstract);
  - ii. 13 Sheets of drawings.  
\_\_\_\_\_ formal  informal
3. Declaration or oath
  - a.  Unsigned - Combined with Power of Attorney

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

4.  An assignment of the invention to is attached (including Form PTO-1595).
  - i.  37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)
5.  Power of Attorney - Unsigned - Combined with Declaration
6.  An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed, including a PTO-1449 and copies of \_\_\_\_\_ references.
7.  Preliminary Amendment.
8.  Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503 -- should be specifically itemized)
9.  Other

**10. FOREIGN PRIORITY**

[X] Priority of application no. P2000-015265 filed on January 25, 2000 in Japan is claimed under 35 USC 119.

The certified copy of the priority application:

is filed herewith; or

- has been filed in prior application no. \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_, or
- will be provided.

English Translation Document (if applicable)

**11. FEE CALCULATION**

a.  Amendment changing number of claims or deleting multiple dependencies is enclosed.

**CLAIMS AS FILED**

	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee (\$710)
Total Claims	11 - 20	* 0	x \$18.00	0
Independent Claims	3 - 3	* 0	x \$80.00	0
<u>Multiple dependent claim(s), if any</u>			\$270.00	0

\*If less than zero, enter "0".

Filing Fee Calculation . . . . . \$710.00

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**12. Small Entity Status**

- a.  A small entity statement is enclosed.
- b.  A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- c.  is no longer claimed.

**13. Other Fees**

- Recording Assignment [\$40.00] . . . . . \$
- Other fees  
Specify \_\_\_\_\_ . . . . . \$

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**14. Payment of Fees**

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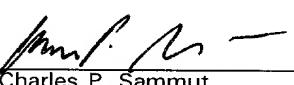
**15. All correspondence regarding this application should be forwarded to the undersigned attorney:**

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